GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:716
ANSWERED ON:05.03.2002
RENAMING OF WEST BENGAL
LAKSHMAN CHANDRA SETH

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of West Bengal has sought approval of the proposal for renaming of West Bengal as Bangla; and

(b) if so, step taken so far in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D.SWAMI)

(a)&(b): The Government of West Bengal has requested the Central Government to take such steps as may be necessary under article 3(e) of the Constitution of India for renaming of `West Bengal` as `Bangla`. The request of the State Government is under examination.